

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A recording medium, comprising:
a first storage region, wherein program information is stored describing a procedure configured to execute a process to establish a connection to a predetermined server over a predetermined communication network and download data from the connected server;
a second storage region into which the data can be written; and
a third storage region having an ID unique to said recording medium stored therein, wherein the server is configured to receive the ID and identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored,
wherein at least part of data downloaded from the server includes a list of selectable content data selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, and the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied, and
wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations~~, and prices of the content data.

Claim 2 (Canceled).

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): A recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to manage accounting for the downloaded data.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to identify a type of the download data.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to identify a supply source of the download data.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A downloading method, comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information, from a recording medium having a first storage region wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server over a predetermined communication network and downloading data from the connected server is stored, a second storage region into which the data can be written, and a third storage region having an ID unique to said recording medium stored therein, the ID identifying at least the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored;

an access step of accessing said server in accordance with the read out program information;

an acquiring step of acquiring a list of selectable content data selected by the server based on the medium ID identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied;

a transferring step of transferring the list of content data selected in accordance with the identified type of medium;

a download step of downloading required data from said server accessed in accordance with the read out program information; and

a storage control step of storing the data acquired by the downloading into said second storage area of said storage medium,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations~~, and prices of the content data.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus, comprising:

a readout unit configured to read out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a memory configured to be able to store data;

a display device configured to display a list of selectable content data transmitted from the server and selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied; and

a controller configured to control a download of required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information, and store the data acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use~~ limitations, and prices of the content data.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus, comprising:
means for reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

means for storing data;
means for displaying a list of selectable content data transmitted from the server and selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied; and

means for controlling a download of required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information, and storage of the data, by the means for storing data, acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use~~ limitations, and prices of the content data.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A recording method for a recording apparatus having a memory, comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a downloading step of downloading required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information; and

a storage control step of storing the data acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory,

wherein at least a part of data provided by the server includes a list of selectable content data selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations~~, and prices of the content data.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A playback apparatus comprising:

a readout unit configured to read out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify

from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a memory configured to store content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information;

a display device configured to display a list of selectable content data transmitted from the server and selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied; and

a controller configured to playback the content data based on the read out program information,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations~~, and prices of the content data.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A playback apparatus comprising:
means for reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

means for storing content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information;

means for displaying a list of selectable content data transmitted from the server and selected by the server based on the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied; and

means for playback of the content data based on the read out program information, wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations,~~ and prices of the content data.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A playback method for a playback apparatus having a memory comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to at least identify from the ID, the type of medium on which the medium ID is stored and to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a playback step of playback content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information from the memory based on the read out program information;

an acquiring step of acquiring a list of selectable content data based on the unique ID; and

a transferring step of transferring the list of content data selected by the server in accordance with the type of medium identified by the server, the content data are divided into two types, a first of the two types includes content data to which some playback limitation in

regard to the number of times of playback is applied, a second of the two types includes content data to which no playback limitation is applied,

wherein the list of selectable content data includes content data names, ~~use limitations~~, and prices of the content data.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): A recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the type of medium is one of a charge medium and a non-charge medium.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the type of content data is one of tune data, video data, game software, movie software and application software.